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Title: METHODS OF DETERMINING A QUALITY OF AN ARRAY SUBSTRATE

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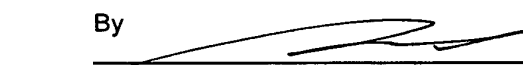
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Dear Sir:

This communication is responsive to the office communication dated June 27, 2007.

In the above referenced office communication, the Examiner imposed a restriction requirement, requiring the election of the claims of either:

Group I, i.e., Claims 1-19; or

Group II, i.e., Claims 20-22;

for further prosecution in this application.

The Applicants hereby elect Group I **with traverse**.

The Applicants also respectfully urge the Examiner to rejoin the claims of Group II with the elected claims of Group I for examination in this application for the following reasons.

The MPEP allows an Examiner to examine otherwise patentably distinct sets of claims if to so would not impose an undue burden on the Examiner. M.P.E.P. § 8.03 states that:

If the search and examination of an entire application can be made without serious burden, the examiner must examine it on the merits, even though it includes claims to independent or distinct inventions.

In the present case, elements of the claims of Group I are found in the remaining claims of Group II. As such, it is believed that the search for the claims of